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Examiner: Dildine Jr., R. Stephen

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SYNCHRONIZATION IN THE PRESENCE OF
THERMAL ASPERITY

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 9 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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Dear Examiner Dildine:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on December 12, 2003, in the above-referenced application.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,


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Enclosure